



General Assembly

**Amendment**

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**LCO No. 4527**



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To: Subst. House Bill No. **5273**

File No. 110

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**"AN ACT ESTABLISHING A STATE-WIDE STROKE REGISTRY."**

1 Strike everything after the enacting clause and substitute the  
2 following in lieu thereof:

3 "Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2022*) (a) The Department of  
4 Public Health shall maintain and operate a state-wide stroke registry.

5 (b) On and after July 1, 2023, each comprehensive stroke center,  
6 thrombectomy-capable stroke center, primary stroke center or acute  
7 stroke-ready hospital shall, on a quarterly basis, submit to the  
8 Department of Public Health data concerning stroke care that are  
9 necessary for including in the state-wide stroke registry, as determined  
10 by the Commissioner of Public Health, and that, at a minimum, align  
11 with the stroke consensus metrics developed and approved by a  
12 nationally-recognized stroke certification body. The department shall  
13 apply privacy and security standards for such registry's data that are  
14 consistent with the department's policies for use of patient data.

15 (c) Each comprehensive stroke center, thrombectomy-capable stroke

16 center, primary stroke center and acute stroke-ready hospital shall  
17 provide access to its records to the Department of Public Health, as the  
18 department deems necessary, to perform case finding or other quality  
19 improvement audits to ensure completeness of reporting and data  
20 accuracy consistent with the purposes of this section.

21 (d) The Department of Public Health may enter into a contract for the  
22 receipt, storage, holding or maintenance of the data or files under its  
23 control and management.

24 (e) The Department of Public Health may enter into reciprocal  
25 reporting agreements with the appropriate agencies of other states to  
26 exchange stroke care data.

27 (f) There is established a stroke registry data oversight committee to  
28 monitor the operations of the state-wide stroke registry, provide advice  
29 regarding the oversight of such registry, develop a plan to improve  
30 quality of stroke care and address disparities in the provision of such  
31 care, and develop short and long-term goals for improvement of stroke  
32 care in comprehensive stroke centers, thrombectomy-capable stroke  
33 centers, primary stroke centers and acute stroke-ready hospitals. Said  
34 committee shall be within the Legislative Branch and the administrative  
35 staff of the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having  
36 cognizance of matters relating to public health shall serve as  
37 administrative staff to said committee. Said committee shall consist of  
38 the following members, who shall be appointed not later than July 1,  
39 2023: (1) One appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives;  
40 (2) one appointed by the president pro tempore of the Senate; (3) one  
41 appointed by the majority leader of the House of Representatives; (4)  
42 one appointed by the majority leader of the Senate; (5) one appointed by  
43 the minority leader of the House of Representatives; and (6) one  
44 appointed by the minority leader of the Senate. An appointing authority  
45 may consult with the State of Connecticut Stroke Advisory Council in  
46 selecting a member to appoint to the oversight committee. Each member  
47 shall serve a term of two years. The speaker of the House of  
48 Representatives and the president pro tempore of the Senate shall each

49 appoint, from among the members of the oversight committee, a co-  
50 chairperson, who shall jointly schedule the first meeting of the oversight  
51 committee on or before August 1, 2023. The Department of Public  
52 Health shall assist said committee in its work and provide any  
53 information or data that the committee deems necessary to fulfil its  
54 duties, unless the disclosure of such information or data is prohibited  
55 by state or federal law. Not later than January 1, 2024, and annually  
56 thereafter, the co-chairpersons of the committee shall jointly report, in  
57 accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes,  
58 to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having  
59 cognizance of matters relating to public health, regarding the work of  
60 the committee. Not later than January 1, 2024, and at least annually  
61 thereafter, such co-chairpersons shall report to the Commissioner of  
62 Public Health and the State of Connecticut Stroke Advisory Council,  
63 regarding the work of the committee.

64 (g) The Commissioner of Public Health may adopt regulations, in  
65 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 of the general statutes, to  
66 implement the provisions of this section."

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	October 1, 2022	New section